



Fingerprints

Fingerprints is a monthly newsletter of The Children's Museum, 311 Main St, Utica, NY 13501 * Jan./Feb. 2007

A Fun 43rd Anniversary Gala Benefit; Are You Part of our Circle of Champions?; Winter Events



Gala Benefit - We celebrated in style at the Children's Museum 43rd Anniversary Gala Sat. Dec. 2nd, enjoying scrumptious catered food & full bar by Blue Flag, great live music by Cleff Dwellers, plus a fun holiday auction.

Honorary Chairs: outgoing Cong. Sherry Boehlert & Marianne; Congressman Mike Arcuri & Sabrina; NYS Senator Joe Griffo & Lorraine; Sponsor HMI's Grant Bausermann & wife; with Board Chairs Jack Cassidy, Dan Trevisani, Joe Ruggiero, w/Arthur Rapp Jr, Joanne Palumbo-Mozloom, & Christine Coughan-Schram. Check pictures on our website.

Proceeds benefit the museum's History & Science Education Centers.

Winter Events: During January, the museum will only be open 3 days a week for renovations.

In February, we'll be back to our full 5 days.

During Winter Break week Feb. 19th - Feb. 24th, in addition to our hands-on exhibits, we will have a special program presenter each day. Sample interactive programs on: Weather Phenomenon, Kids Net Smartz, Bike Safety, Animal Care, Water Sports, Fire & Police Safety, Science Fun, Train History, Making

Dream Savers, Painting Bird Houses, Making Corn Husk Dolls. *Check our website for specific event day/dates.*

Gifts: Give a museum membership, Gift Shop item, Museum '07 Calendar, SmartShopper Book.

Circle of Champions:

Please Partner With Us; Join our Circle of Champions Campaign. Take advantage of the opportunity to help us Fund the Vision, for the families & children we serve, to "help write the next chapter of *The Children's Museums ongoing success story.*"

Kids from 1 to 101 enjoy the experience.

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311 Main Street
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*Visit us on the web:
www.museum4kids.net*

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~ Honor the Past & Pave the Future ~ Be Part of Commemorative Brick Project!



Join our Children's Museum Commemorative Brick Sidewalk Charter group. Purchase your personalized engraved brick for the paved sidewalk in front of the museum to commemorate your support for our community treasure.

Only \$75., each brick

holds 14 characters per line, up to 3 lines. Download form on our website.

Charter members: Joan T. Shkane Esq, Mukesh Shah, Nicholas Calogero Jr, Dr. Nancy Shaheen, Northern Safety, Dr. Philip Reitz, Dr. Anthony/Carol Mandour, Dr. Leo Sullivan, Garro Drugstore, Don/Linda Dresher, Bader

Reynolds, Les/Mackie Kernan, M & R Heating, Dr. Demetrios Skamas, Joanne Torchia, Junior League, Marlene Brown, Rotary eClub NY1, Steve Genett, John Stephenson, Sandi Burrows-Schmidt, Frank Gruenewald, Megan Scolaro, Oneida Indian Nation, Jack Lucid, Utica First Ins., Barb Schuck.

VOLUNTEER: Donate your services & exhibits, offer your talents, volunteer your time, bring your kids, family, your group to the only Children's Museum in Central NY. Help make a difference in your community by becoming part of a wonderful legacy that will live on long after you're gone! Contributions to The Children's Museum are tax deductible.



Director's Report: Thanks to 43rd Anniversary Benefit Supporters, Join Our Circle of Champions, Winter Events & New Exhibits Coming



Our thanks to Congressman Mike Arcuri, NYS Senator Joe Griffo, and outgoing Congressman Sherry Boehlert for once again serving as Honorary Chairs at our yearly Anniversary Gala Benefit. It was a wonderful evening, enjoyed by all. Mark your calendars for next year's event on Sat. Dec. 1st, 2007 and contact us to find out how you can take part in the Private Pre-Gala Party!

We're enthused about some new exhibits, including Hess' collectible trucks; NetSmartz, Robots, Boehlert

Exhibit + our Winter Break programs (*check our website*).

We've started our Circle of Champions Campaign. We're asking our community to take advantage of the opportunity to partner with us and help Fund the Vision, for the families, children, & schools we serve.

We're proud of our 1,000's of exhibits, in 60 pavilions, creating an educationally enjoyable experience for all who visit.

We're delighted when local

visitors & tourists alike praise our museum & what it offers.

NYS Curriculum Enrichment Programs are offered to Pre-K, Daycare, Schools & Scouts.

Groups book field trips, families enjoy outings & birthday parties, tourists enjoy exhibits.

Groups gain admission to CM's four floors of interactive exhibits. Bag lunches can be eaten in our kitchen. View more on web: www.museum4kids.net/ Come on down & have a great family day!



We Need Your Help w/a CM History Book!

We frequently hear from/about people who have been involved over the 43 years of our Children's Museum existence, and often get asked why we don't have a book on our history. So we're going to begin one & need your help! Please call or email Director Marlene Brown with any information you may have about the formation/growth of the museum, exhibits, and/or people involved.



There's Always a Rainbow at CM!

Happy children grow up to be happy adults, who are more likely to stay & support the community they grew up in. CNY's only Children's Museum, one of the oldest in the country -a safe, fun, learning environment -is a definite asset to the Mohawk Valley, one all of us can be proud of & utilize to its highest capacity. We continue renovations and new exhibits. What better place to bring * youngsters on a field trip * scouts to earn badge * family for great day out * children for fun time?

Children's Museum Board

Officers: Daniel Trevisani, Joseph Ruggiero, Jack Cassidy, Arthur Rapp Jr.

Directors: Joanne Palumbo-Mozloom O.D., Joan Teuchart-Shkane Esq., Christine Cougan-Schram, Diane Polce, Cisco Piersma, Kathy Slocum, John Stephenson

Museum Executive Director: Marlene B. Brown

Museum Staff: Christie Hubbard, Mandy Hajjar
Volunteer: Exhibits Manager & Birthday Host, Earl Lewis

CM Heroes Serve our Children: Corp Sponsors; Donors; Volunteers; Wish List



We welcome volunteers. There's no greater reward than helping the children.

How can you help? You can assist with scheduled activities, offer a program in your area of talent or interest, help keep the museum shipshape, or help by donating to Our wish list: toys in good shape, exhibit items, art supplies, educa-

tional items of value. These will give you a renewed sense of pride as *we continue to serve the children, our future.*

A Corporate Membership is a positive way to impact the community. Our *levels of corporate sponsors* are: a \$500 Velociraptor, a \$1,000 Brontosaurus, a \$2,000 Triceratops, a \$5,000 Diplodocus, a \$10,000 Ovirap-

tor, and a \$25,000 T-Rex. We value your donations & support.

Our 44th Anniversary Campaign is underway to gain new & renewed sponsors as *CM Heroes* (*check back page*). Please show your thanks by investing in their products and services.

Check out our Sponsors & Donors page on our website & join them!



Jan.'07 / Feb.'07 Calendar

Check online calendar for updates

Made possible with funds from the NYS Council on the Arts and the many sponsors who support the Children's Museum's Youth Education Enrichment Programs & Exhibits.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1-7 <i>Closed</i>	1-8 <i>Closed for New Years holiday</i>	1-9 <i>Closed for renovations</i>	1-10 <i>Closed</i>	1-11 11a/2p Puppets/Crafts	1-12 <i>Closed for renovations</i>	1-13 Legos, DJs, Critters, Trains
1-14 <i>Closed</i>	1-15 11a/2p Caring 4 Critters/ Children's Crafts	1-16 <i>Closed for renovations</i>	1-17 <i>Closed</i>	1-18 11a/2p Puppet Theatre/ Arts & Crafts	1-19 <i>Closed for renovations</i>	1-20 Legos, DJs, Space Science, Critters,
1-21 <i>Closed</i>	1-22 11a/2p Caring 4 Critters/	1-23 <i>Closed for renovations</i>	1-24 <i>Closed</i>	1-25 11a/2p Puppet Theatre/	1-26 <i>Closed for renovations</i>	1-27 Legos, DJs, Space Science,
1-28 <i>Closed</i>	1-29 11a/2p Caring 4 Critters/ Children's Crafts	1-30 <i>Closed for renovations</i>	1-31 <i>Closed</i>	2-1 11a/2p Puppet Theatre/ Arts & Crafts	2-2 <i>Closed for renovations</i>	2-3 Space & Dinosaur & Train Holiday Family Fun
2-4 <i>Closed</i>	2-5 11a/2p Caring 4 Critters/ Children's Crafts	2-6 11a/2p Children's Crafts / Music 4 Munchkins	2-7 <i>Closed</i>	2-8 11a/2p Puppet Theatre/ Arts & Crafts	2-9 11a/2p Crafty Creation / Puppet	2-10 Legos, DJs, Space Science, Critters, Trains
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Join educators, families & groups who book *educational field trips* to the Children's Museum! Check our website, call us at 315-724-6129, visit us in person. Here's some of what you'll find: *1st floor* - Play Space, Exploration Space, Saturn, Tea Room, Dentist Office, Grocery Store, Micro Room, Trains; *2nd floor* - Musical Stage, Iroquois Longhouse, History Diorama, Trading Post, Fossil Dig, Dinosaurs; *3rd floor* - Science Room, Animals/Insects, Legos, Computers, Arts/Crafts, Weather & Radio Rooms, Truck Dig; Halls Fame; *4th floor* (open 11:30a-12:00p, 1:00-1:30p & 2:30-3:00pm) Airplanes, Fire/Police exhibits, NASA/Office of Science exhibits, Carriage/Buggy exhibits, Hot Wheels Hall. www.museum4kids.net

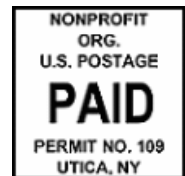
MARK YOUR CALENDARS — February 19th to 24th, 2007 - Winter School Break Programs; Saturday March 24, 2007 - Science & Technology Fair; Saturday, April 7, 2007 - Easter Egg Hunt

Contact Info:

The Children's Museum of History,
Natural History, Science & Technology,
311 Main St, Utica, NY 13501
T:315-724-6129 E:info@museum4kids.net

Normal Museum Hours: Open Monday,
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:45am-3:45pm;
Saturday 10:00am to 4:00pm; Closed Wed.
& Sun. & some holidays. *Check our online
calendar for holidays & renovation closings.*

Admission: \$9.00 for adults & children;
Members + under 1 yr Free (*reduced member
fee for some events*). Group rates available.



A 501(c)(3) not-for-profit char-
tered by NYS Board of Regents.
Member Museum Assoc. of NY &
Assoc of Children's Museums D.C.
* Be a sponsor, member, volunteer
* Purchase from our Gift Shop

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CM's Heroes & Heroines: *they continue to make a difference.*

* Congressman Michael Arcuri * NYS Senator Joe Griffo * Grant Bausermann & hmipowder.com
* Sherwood Boehlert * Ray Meier * NASA * Office of Science * National Grid * Fountainhead Group
* Indium Corp. * Con Med * Joan T.Shkane Esq.* Jack Cassidy * Joe Ruggiero * Dan Trevisani
* Princeton Lab * Utica Fire/Police Dept's * Mark Scheidelman * Kurt Wiehenstroer * The Blue Flag
* Met Life Foundation * RigAll: Patty & Rusty Williams * Community Foundation * Bank of Utica
* Dr. Nancy Shaheen * Oxford Imaging * M & R Heating * Burns Agency * Dr.Ted/Melva Max
* MVCC Ric Riccardo * Roger Sinnott * Partners Trust * Bill Morehouse * Tim Perry * John Stephenson
* Marshall & Glenn Space Centers * Rocketdyne * K&K Trains * Ted Kibiuk * Bob Malara *The Hartford
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* Madonia Electric * The Junior League * Col. & Mrs.Kurt Hoch * NYSERDA * Dr. Donald Rosinski
* Zangrilli Engineering * Drs. Anthony Furino/John Hamlin * Ed Waskiewicz * Oneida Nation Foundation
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* McQuade & Bannigan * Pacemaker Millar * Surgical Associates * Mike Zarnock * Dr. Patricia Laino
* Charles Higgins * Dr.Joel Amidon * NBT Bank * Utica First * F.X. Matt * Smiley the Clown * APAC
* Allen Gilberti * Mark Andrello * Time Warner * Herk. Co. Comm. College * C.O.P.P.S. Medical
* Scalzo, Zogby, Wittig * Utica P.O. * H. R. Beebe * Pinny/George Kuckel * Piano Lab * SUNYIT
* Big Apple Music * Ralph Eannace * WUTR * Utica.tv * WKTV * Utica O.D. * Regent Broadcasting
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* Child Care Providers * Earl Lewis & Volunteers * Staff & Interns * Board of Directors * Visitors